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The 1956 Pinnacle

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Dedication

It is with sincere appreciation that we dedicate this issue of our Pinnacle to you, Mr. James B. Caswell. Your untiring interest in our class, and faithful service to our school will ever be an inspiration to each of us. Not only have you been an interested trustee, but also a true comrade and friend to the members of our class. We have always known that we could discuss any problem with you, and you would always be willing to listen and to help us.

It is with genuine pleasure that we dedicate our 1956 yearbook to you.

Principal's Message

Class of 1956:

The pages of this 1956 Pinnacle provide you a pictorial record of your most important high school year. As your Senior year draws to a close, let us hope that the last four years have been as enjoyable and profitable as you had hoped they would be. So many times we hear people in occupations, college, or armed service express the regret that they had not applied themselves to their studies and activities as diligently as they might. Fortunately, the opportunities of further education are now so great that you all should take advantage of them. Colleges, business schools, correspondence schools, private industry, and the armed forces all offer educational opportunities which are available to you. Make your high school a beginning not an end.

May the years be good to you!

Richard Hopkins

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Algebra, Geometry, Chemistry
* 1951

MR. JOSEPH HAMMOND
Senior Science, Gen. Math, Coach, J.B.T., Physical Education
* 1951

MR. KENNETH BRIGHAM
Biology, Gen. Science, J.B.T., P.O.D., Civics
* 1955

MRS. MYRTLE AUSTIN
English, Latin, French, Speech
* 1930

MRS. BEVERLY H. MILLER
Typing, Shorthand, Bookkeeping, Office Practice
* 1947

MRS. ESTHER GRAY
Home Economics, Civics
* 1952

MR. LEO HOWARD
Janitor, Bus Driver
* 1954

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
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Agriculture, Farm Shop, U. S. History
* 1946

MISS MARY YOUNG
English, World History, Coach
* 1953

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Dormitory Matron
* 1954

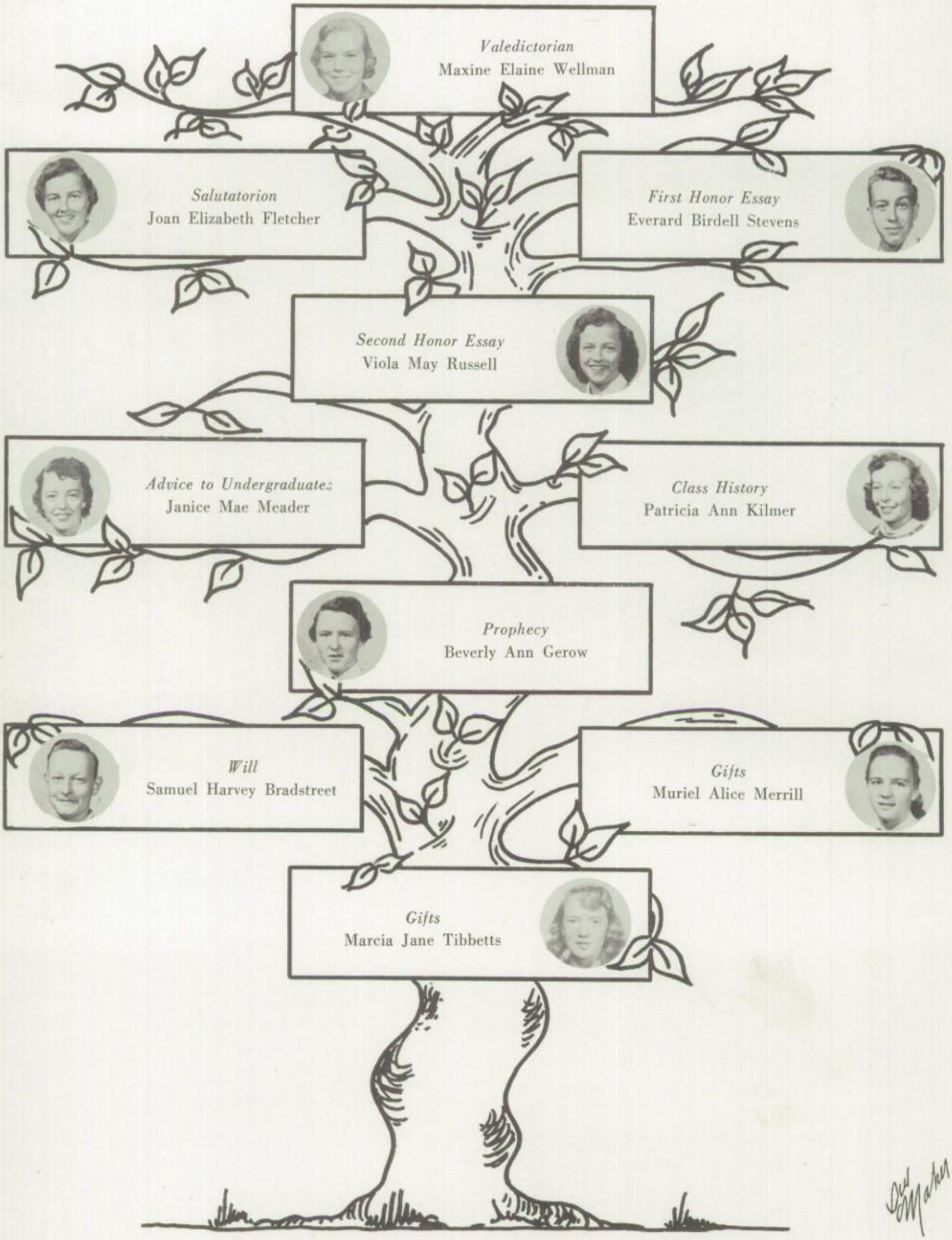
MRS. ARTHUR NOWLAND
Cafeteria Cook
* 1942

MRS. RENA PINETTE
Assistant Cook
* 1956

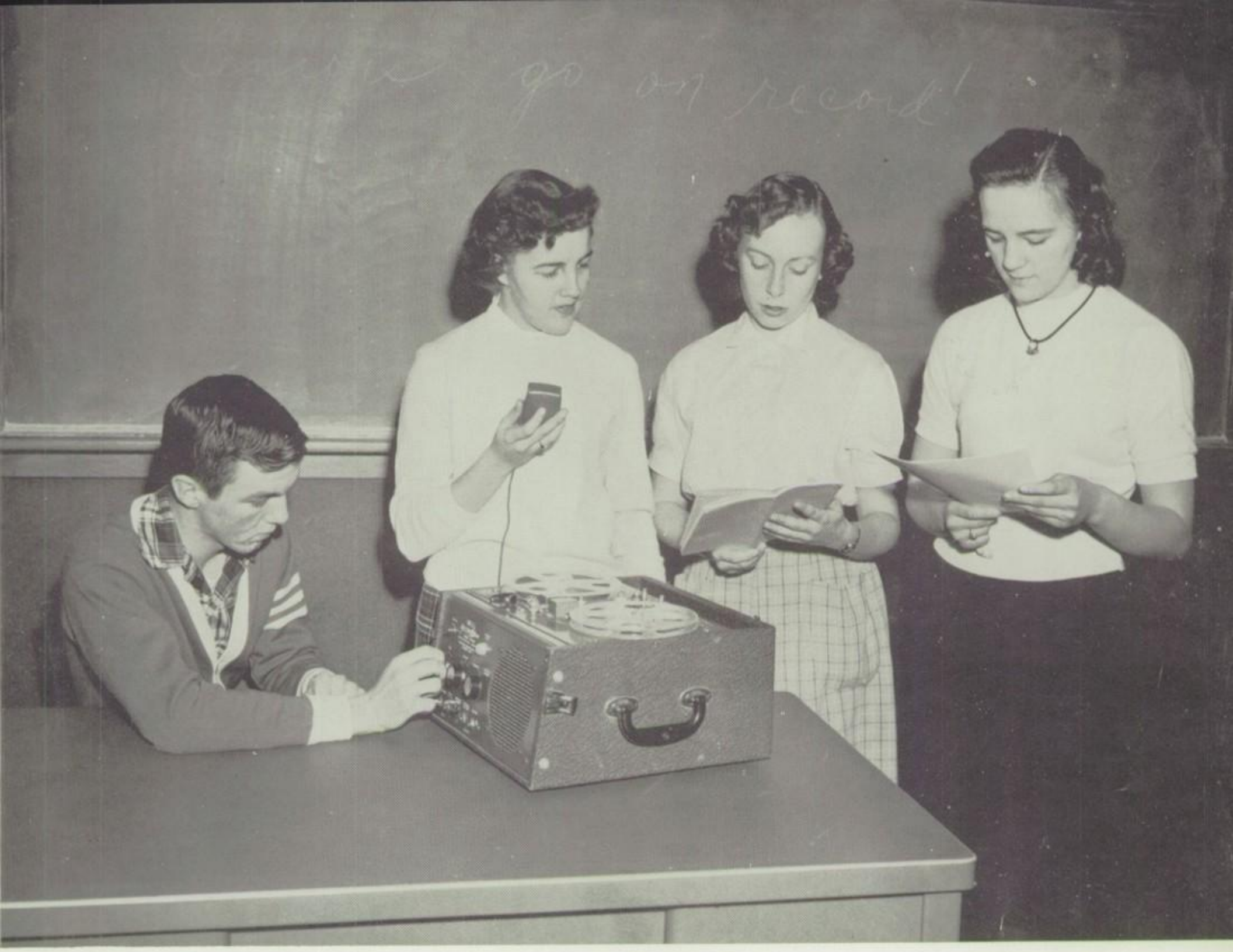
MRS. ARLENE BRALEY
Secretary to the Principal
* 1955

MR. KENNETH INGRAHAM
Janitor, Bus Driver
* 1951

* *Year Appointed to Erskine*



Our Tree of Knowledge



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Secretary ..... JOHN BOYNTON

Treasurer ..... MURIEL MERRILL

CLASS COLORS

Green and Gold

CLASS FLOWER

Yellow Rose

MOTTO

Tonight we launch; where shall we anchor?

DONNA RUTH BICKFORD
"Donna"

Age. 17 *Course:* General
Intentions: Airline Hostess

"I walked beside the evening sea and dreamed a dream that could not be."

EMMONS DAVID BOLDUC
"Emmons"

Age: 18 *Course:* General
Intentions: Air Force

"I am, out of the ladies company, like a fish out of water."

JOHN WARDSWORTH BOYNTON
"Jackie"

Age: 18 *Course:* College
Intentions: College

"He does it with a better grace but I do it more natural."

SAMUEL HARVEY BRADSTREET
"Harvey"

Age: 18 *Course:* General

"Happiness is speechless."

JOAN ELIZABETH FLETCHER
"Fletch"

Age: 18 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Undecided

"Love is like the measles, we all have to go through it."

BEVERLY ANN GEROW
"Bunny"

Age: 16 *Course:* General
Intentions: Undecided

"What's this dull town to me?"

GORDON MAURICE GLIDDEN
"Gordon"

Age: 19 *Course:* Agricultural
Intentions: Undecided

"It may be life but ain't it slow?"

SHIRLEY ANN HARRINGTON
"Tootsie"

Age: 16 *Course:* General
Intentions: Undecided

"The hour is come but not the man."

RITA JANET KELLER
"Rita"

Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Office Work

"Oh, but it's nice to get up in the mornin, but it's nicer to lie in bed."

PATRICIA ANN KILMER
"Pat"

Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary

"Never idle, never still, talk she must, talk she will."

ARLINE ELIZABETH MACFARLAND
"Arline"

Age: 18 *Course:* Home Economics
Intentions: Undecided

"I saw and loved."

JANICE MAE MEADER
"Janie Mae"

Age: 18 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary

"But there's nothing half so sweet in life as love's young dream."

MURIEL ALICE MERRILL
"Moo Moo"
Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: College
"Style is the dress of thoughts."

CHARLES ALBERT MESERVEY
"Charlie"
Age: 17 *Course:* General
Intentions: Marines
"Good children should never be lazy and sad."

FORREST ELMER NELSON
"Chug"
Age: 18 *Course:* General
Intentions: Undecided
"You ain't heard nothin' yet folks."

ROSCOE EMERY PELTON
"Junior"
Age: 19 *Course:* Agricultural
Intentions: Undecided
"The prince of darkness is a gentleman."

DAVID EASTMAN PLUMMER
"Dave"
Age: 18 *Course:* General
Intentions: Undecided
"Patch up thine old body for heaven."

JOAN FRANCES RANDALL
"Trigger"
Age: 18 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary
"This strange disease of modern life."

VIOLA MAY RUSSELL
"Vi"

Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary

"You made me love you, I didn't want to do it."

ROBERT PATRICK SAWYER
"Bob"

Age: 17 *Course:* Agricultural
Intentions: Air Force

"Ship me somewhere east of Suez."

EVERARD BIRDELL STEVENS
"Everard"

Age: 18 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Undecided

"It is amazing how little literature there is in the world."

JOAN TEMPLETON
"Joan"

Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary

"The sweetest garland, to the sweetest maid."

MARILYN ANN THOMAS
"Maggie"

Age: 18 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Secretary

"Life is half spent before we know what it is."

MARCIA JANE TIBBETTS
"Marcia"

Age: 17 *Course:* Commercial
Intentions: Business College

"What small potatoes we all are compared to what we might be."

MAXINE ELAINE WELLMAN
"Twitch"

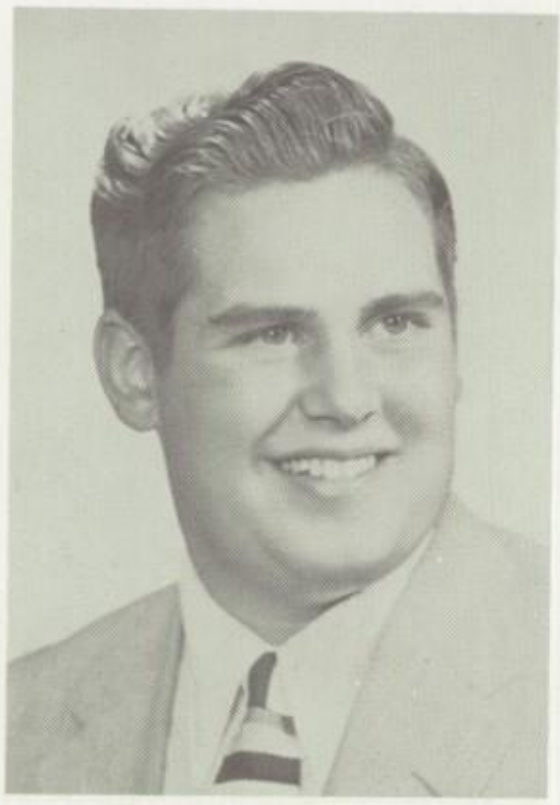
Age: 17 *Course:* College
Intentions: Nursing

"A noble mind disdains to hide his head."

DANIEL ELIOT WILLIAMS
"Danny"

Age: 19 *Course:* General
Intentions: Farming

"A good book is the best of friends."



BEVERLY JEAN WILLOUGHBY
"Bev"

Age: 17 *Course:* General
Intentions: Nursing

"Give me the liberty to know, utter and to argue."

HARLAND EARLE YOUNG
"Harland"

Age: 17 *Course:* General
Intentions: Undecided

"Nothing can bring you peace but yourself."

Our Class Advisors
MRS. MILLER and MR. HOPKINS

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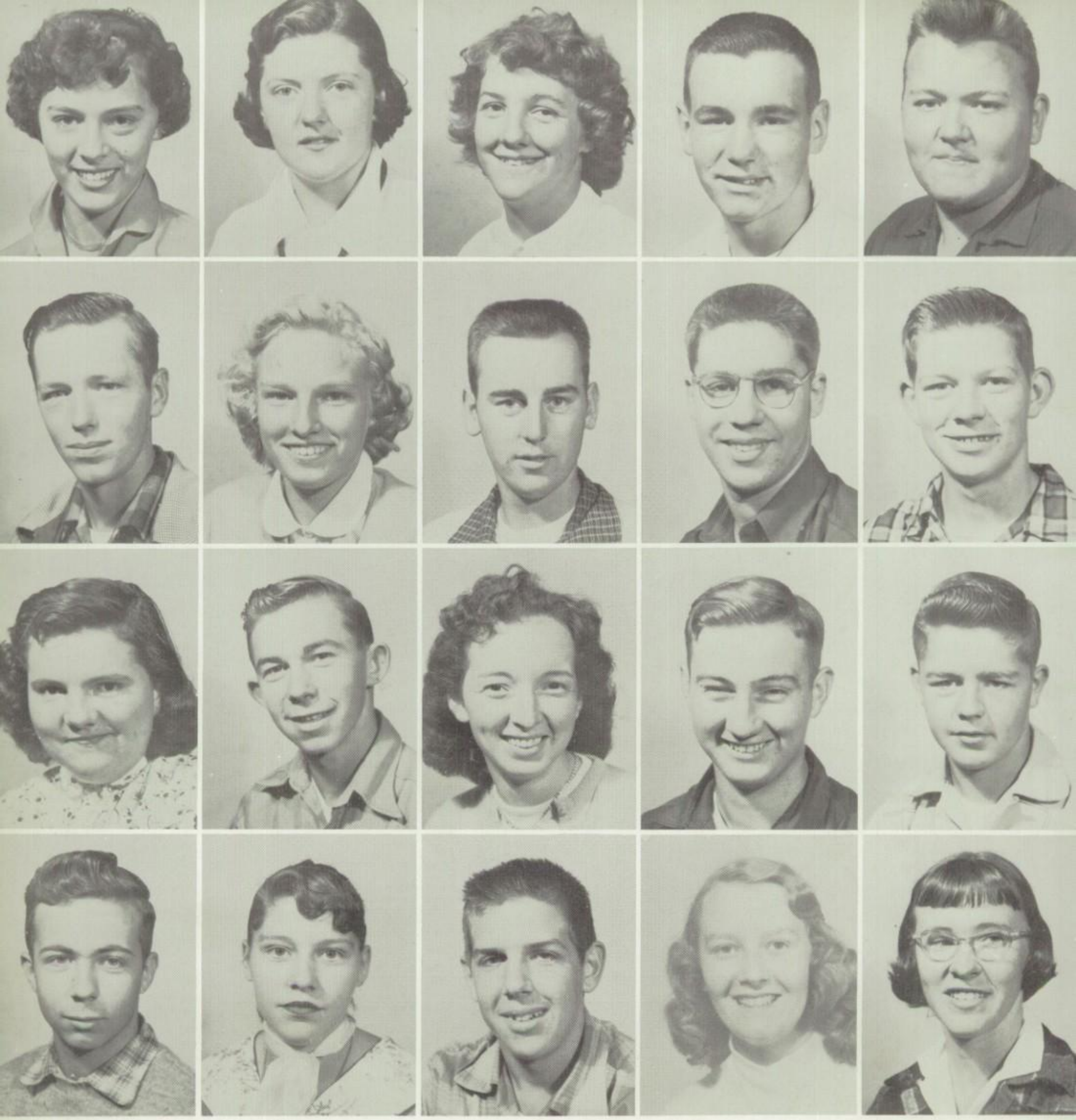

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Second row: Hubert Carter, Lorraine Choate, Sherman Clary, Albert Csengery, Howard Cunningham.
Third row: Arlene Dodge, Ralph Doe, Marilyn Dowe, James Esancy, Robert Fletcher.
Fourth row: Cedric Gilbert, Patricia Grotton, Everett Higgins, Doris Humphrey, Shirley Jones.

First row: George Lewis, Janet Losito, John Mahoney, Patricia Norton, Peter Perry.
Second row: Shirley Porter, Brenda Pinette, Martha Reed, Sheldon Reed, Jeanette Russell.
Third row: Carroll Sproul, Julia Starkey, Jean Templeton, Beverly Turner, Waneta Turner.
Fourth row: Frances Ward, Clarence Watson, Robert Watson, Lawrence Wiles, Charles Winkley.

Philip Woodworth

Joyce Young

JUNIORS

Name	*Answers To*	*Favorite Song*
Carol Archambault	"Archie"	"Love Me or Leave Me"
Carolyn Austin	"Carry"	"Love-sick Blues"
Madeline Bailey	"Made"	"Dance With Me, Henry"
Robert Boynton	"Fats"	"Dungaree Doll"
Austin Brann	"Si"	"Daddy-o"
Hubert Carter	"Hub"	"Hey, Good-looking"
Lorraine Choate	"Blondie"	"Beautiful Dreamer"
Sherman Clary	"Sherm"	"Roll, Hot Rod, Roll"
Albert Csengery	"Al"	"Out Behind the Barn"
Howard Cunningham	"Howie"	"Old Maids Ball"
Arlene Dodge	"Cutie"	"Too Fat Polka"
Ralph Doe	"Doe"	"See You Later Alligator"
Marilyn Dowe	"Diner"	"Cream in Your Coffee"
James Esancy	"Jim"	"Come Be My Sweetheart"
Robert Fletcher	"Fletch"	"I Won't Grow Up"
Cedric Gilbert	"Ced"	"I Ain't Got Nobody"
Patricia Grotton	"Patsy"	"Love is a Many Splendored Thing"
Everett Higgins	"Higgy"	"Let Me Go, Lover"
Doris Humphrey	"Do-Do"	"Five Foot Two"
Shirley Jones	"Jonesy"	"Gerry is my Darling"
George Lewis	"Georgie"	"Nature Boy"
Janet Losito	"Fingers"	"Charlie, My Boy"
John Mahoney	"Johnny"	"I Need a Girl"
Patricia Norton	"Patty"	"Sixteen Tons"
Peter Perry	"Pete"	"I Love a Parade"
Shirley Porter	"Shirl"	"Stranger in Paradise"
Brenda Pinette	"Benna"	"Silver Bells"
Martha Reed	"Marty"	"Call Me up Some Saturday Night"
Sheldon Reed	"Sheldon"	"Goodnight, Irene"
Jeanette Russell	"Jerry"	"Remember Me"
Carroll Sproul	"Sproul"	"Be a Clown"
Julia Starkey	"Red"	"Hearts of Stone"
Jean Templeton	"Roger"	"I'll Be Down to Get You in a Taxi"
Beverly Turner	"Bev"	"Faith, Hope and Charity"
Waneta Turner	"Waneta"	"Success is Counted Best"
Frances Ward	"Franny"	"Carry Me Back to Freedom"
Clarence Watson	"Clarence"	"Crazy, Man, Crazy"
Robert Watson	"Watson"	"I've Got to Crow"
Lawrence Wiles	"Larry"	"Hey, There"
Charles Winkley	"Chic"	"Memories are Made of This"
Philip Woodworth	"Woody"	"Strange Things are Happening"
Joyce Young	"Jo"	"He"

Sophomore Class Officers

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Bryan Ahearn
Glenna Bumps
Dianne Bumps
Linda Clary
David Choate

Mary Colby
Roberta Crane
Carol Csengery
Gerald Day
Robert Dowe

David Dyer
Martin Finley
Neil Gay
Roland Gay
Judith Gordon

Janice Hallowell
Margaret Haskell
Sandra Hayes
Sophia Higgins
Mary Hurd

Mary Hutchins
Joanne Keller
Linda Keller
Robert Kilmer
William Lajousky

Violet Mackback
Sue Maher
Joan McGrath
Norris McLean
Priscilla Merrill

Norma Northrup
Sandra Pelton
Richard Pooler
Ernest Raven
Irene Reed

Patricia Reed
Joseph Rines
Alfred Rusgrove
Charles Rusgrove
Gloria Russell

John Savoy
Madeline Sherwood
George Springer
Joseph Suga
Gertrude Thornhill

Susan Tibbetts
Elaine Turner
Marilyn Turner
Judith Ward
Darrell Willey

Judith Wilson
Serena Wilson
Henry Winkley
Rowena Young

SOPHOMORE PET PEEVES

Bryan Ahearn	*Rules*
Glenna Bumps	*Hurrying*
Dianne Bumps	*Straight Hair*
Linda Clary	*Not enough Majorette uniforms*
David Choate	*Can't think of enough jokes*
Mary Colby	*Peeling vegetables*
Roberta Crane	*Music lessons*
Carol Csengery	*She can't do the Mambo*
Gerald Day	*Tests*
Robert Dowe	*Hospitals*
David Dyer	*Losing Dolly*
Neil Gay	*Being teased about "that gal"*
Roland Gay	*Running errands for Mr. Brigham*
Judith Gordon	*"No" for an answer*
Janice Hallowell	*Can't get an "A" in Biology*
Margaret Haskell	*Can't catch the right beau*
Sandra Hayes	*Sitting still*
Sophia Higgins	*Getting headaches from laughing in J.B.T.*
Mary Hurd	*Long bus rides*
Mary Hutchins	*Losing her chewing gum*
Joanne Keller	*Working*
Linda Keller	*Coming to school every day*
Robert Kilmer	*Being chased by girls*
William Lajousky	*Getting his Algebra wrong*
Violet Mackback	*Sleeping at the Dorm*
Sue Maher	*Calories*
Joan McGrath	*Walking home with "Leo"*
Norris McLain	*Staying after school*
Priscilla Merrill	*Straight faces*
Norma Northrup	*"St. Louis Blues"*
Sandra Pelton	*Oral reports*
Richard Pooler	*Losing his class ring so quickly*
Ernest Raven	*Being the tallest boy*
Irene Reed	*Not enough Latin homework*
Joseph Rines	*Lipstick on Bobby K's collar*
Alfred Rusgrove	*Nothing to brag about*
Charles Rusgrove	*Neckties*
Gloria Russell	*Being at school on time*
John Savoy	*"Georgie-Porgie"*
Madeline Sherwood	*Being "winked" at*
George Springer	*Chatterboxes*
Joseph Suga	*Homework*
Gertrude Thornhill	*He can't have Physical Education every day*
Serena Wilson	*6:45 a.m.*
	Not enough basketball games away

Susan Tibbetts	*Happy homemaking*
Elaine Turner	*Not enough boys*
Marilyn Turner	*"Pigtails"*
Judith Ward	*Boys*
Darrell Willey	*Flat tires*
Judy Wilson	*Paying attention*
Henry Winkley	*Keeping quiet*
Rowena Young	*Tall boys*
Martin Finley	*Front seats*

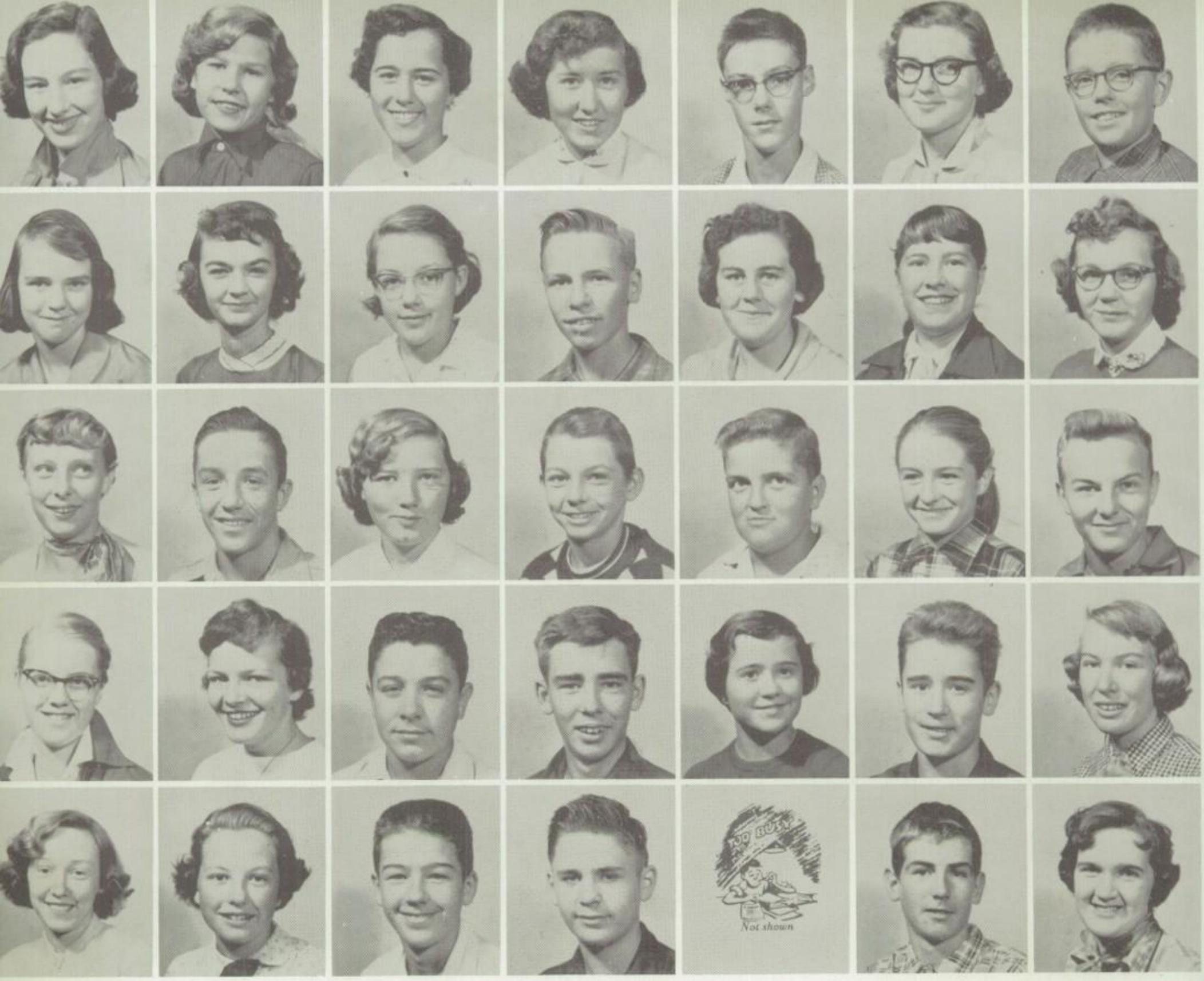
Freshman Class Officers

President ..... JOHN KIRKPATRICK

Vice President ..... DAVID JONES

Secretary ..... DENNIS CHANEY

Treasurer ..... PATRICIA BRANN



First row: Mary Albert, Marlene Anderson, Janet Archambault, Jennie Ashby, Leroy Austin, Virginia Austin, and Bruce Balfour.
Second row: Carla Bowman, Pauline Boynton, Patricia Brann, Dennis Chaney, Sharon Clary, Jewel Conrad, and Nanette Crane.
Third row: Judy Crocker, John Cromett, Brenda Cunningham, Sherwood Dale, Perley Day, Judy Dowe, and Roland Dyer.
Fourth row: Janice Esancy, Guylene Gay, Leo Gould, Leon Irish, Laura Jones, Leland Jones, and Carlota John.
Fifth row: Barbara Ladd, Jane Lint, John Kirkpatrick, Garry Maines, David McCaslin, Robert McGrath, and Norma Merrill.

First row: John Michaud, Jane Mitton, Ann Nelson, Joanne Pottle, Edith Philbrook, Dorothy Parmenter, and Priscilla Prescott.
Second row: Peter Purinton, Dennis Raven, Josie Reynolds, Betty Russell, Deloris Seeley, Janice Seeley, and Jean Shorette.
Third row: Roberta Skillin, and Mary Templeton.

On September 28, 1955, we freshmen were welcomed by the Sophomore Class. All day the girls, with their hair in pigtails, had to wear grain bags. The boys had to wear a woman's dress wrong side out with a girdle and stockings on the outside and women's shoes on their feet. At night the girls wore diapers and a baby bonnet, while the boys were dressed in girls' bathing suits, high heels and bathing caps turned up so they could put long, dangling earrings on their ears.

We were fortunate to have 5 freshman boys on the J. V. team and 5 girls on the girls' team this year.

In the magazine drive, several freshmen were awarded prizes. Two of them went to the ice follies, a trip which was the big prize.

The freshmen are now planning a play which is to be presented in April. The profits will go into the class treasury toward their Washington Trip in '59.

FRESHMAN AMBITIONS

Mary Albert	*Old Maid*
Marlene Anderson	*Saloon Girl in the West*
Janet Archambault	*Fashion Designer*
Jennie Ashby	*To go steady*
Leroy Austin	*Artist*
Virginia Austin	*Newspaper Reporter*
Bruce Balfour	*Atomic Bomb Scientist*
Carla Bowman	*Beautician*
Pauline Boynton	*To speak to Larry in School*
Patricia Brann	*Dishwasher*
Dennis Chaney	*Shoe Shine Boy*
Sharon Clary	*To marry a millionaire*
Jewel Conrad	*Second Georgia Gibbs*
Nanette Crane	*Opera Singer*
Judy Crocker	*To find a steady*
John Crommett	*Magician*
Brenda Cunningham	*Basketball player*
Sherwood Dale	*Electrician*
Perley Day	*Mr. Basketball* "2000"
Judy Dowe	*Housewife*
Roland Dyer	*Violin Player*
Janice Esancy	*Clown*
Guylene Gay	*Hula-Hula Dancer*
Leo Gould	*Scientist*
Leon Irish	*President of '96*
Laura Jones	*To grow a little*

Leland Jones	*Glamour Guy*
Carlota John	*Dungaree Doll*
Barbara Ladd	*Model*
Jane Lint	*Scrubwoman at E. A. '60*
John Kirkpatrick	*Speaker*
Garry Maines	*UCLA Fullback "2000"*
David McCaslin	*Bowling Alley Pin Boy*
Robert McGrath	*All-Girl orchestra conductor*
Norma Merrill	*To own a horse*
John Michaud	*Banker*
Jane Mitton	*Swanky restaurant cook*
Ann Nelson	*Policewoman*
Joanne Pottle	*Manicurist*
Edith Philbrook	*Bottle Washer*
Dorothy Parmenter	*Ballet Dancer*
Priscilla Prescott	*Senior Queen of* 1959
Peter Purington	*Professor of Math*
Dennis Raven	*To have curly hair*
Josie Reynolds	*Nurse*
Betty Russell	*To be loved*
Deloris Seeley	*Private Secretary*
Janice Seeley	*Dancing Instructor*
Jean Shorette	*Glamour Girl*
Roberta Skillin	*Orchestra Conductor*
Mary Templeton	*Writer*

HAPPINESS OF LIFE

"Come and trip as ye go, on the light fantastic toe." This is a line quoted from a poem of pleasures and happiness. Older than John Milton's poem is the joy he expresses; joys which will be present until the end of the earth.

The simple things of life are the pleasant things that are remembered when you are feeling thoughtful. The power of God, ever present in the lives of each person, saint or sinner, is shown from the rising of the sun in the morning to the setting at night and the rising again. The sun, the rain, and the wind are the things which we take for granted; without them there would be no life. How many times do we stop to think what would happen without the clouds, the stars, the water, and the trees? Where would the simple pleasant things be?

Happiness is brought forth in the tasks a person must perform in his duty. The healing by a doctor and his assistants brings relief from pain to a patient; the farmer also finds joy in cultivating the crops so that his labor may provide for the rich and poor alike. The teacher who gives a little of his knowledge to each student in a hope that it will be used in great service to bring happiness to the children of the next generations reaps joy from her work.

Joy is spread in the feelings of sportsmanship and of a good game. Friendly competition brings a group of young teenagers into a happy, more secure and better adjusted adulthood. It is a well-accepted fact that merriment enters into sportsmanship. Joy should be shot with each point tried for in a basketball game, in each swing of a baseball bat, in each pitch of a softball and each cheer for the home team by the spectators.

Running away from joy is impossible; in order to live, it must be practiced, in the hearts of the grouchy, old hermits, in the soul of a miser, in the sweat of a miner's brow, in the pen of a bookkeeper, and the golf club of a president. It must shine through gloomy days of income taxes and written into the bills passed by Congress; then returned in pay checks of the government, factories, mills and businesses. It penetrates the hard, steel keys of a typewriter and spreads to the fingers of a typist; growing bigger and bigger as it spreads from one person to another, soon it has the whole wide world in its clutches. Overpowering millions upon millions of hearts, it will steer humanity to the edge of its steep cliffs until people drop into its golden depths.

Everyone must notice the happiness in each season. Eyes are lifted to the tops of trees in the spring to see the small buds burst into full bloom and turn to green. The ground is suddenly covered with colored blossoms and a carpet of green velvet. As these blossoms fade others will take their places until the fall, when the summer waters turn cold and frost begins to fall. The small deer soon loses its spots of white and gains a heavy, thick coat to prepare him for the long months ahead. With the new season of white, soft flakes, is born a new height of merriment. Romping and playing with brisk, sharp stinging winds carrying the laughter and gaiety around the world. It is a season of celebration of the Prince of Peace. Wishes from friends for happiness throughout the year again proves, "Mirth with thee I mean to live."

MURIEL MERRILL '56

PLEASURES OF LIFE

The things I would like to do in life are
very plain to me
I'd like to travel around the world and
all the sights I'd like to see
The mountains and the oceans, the prairies
and the plains
And all the smaller things in life
like the river lovers lane
I'd like to see the cities, the large
medium, and small
And the country in all its splendor
and the rippling water fall
My pockets could be empty and it would
not worry me
For if I'd traveled around the world
there'd be no more to see
But before I'd start this great exploit
I'd like to be secure and have
A nice and comfortable home in Maine
to return to when I could see no more.

DAVID PLUMMER '56

CHEATING

Have you ever cheated on an examination? If you have, didn't it give you a queer feeling? Didn't you feel cheap and ashamed?

Cheating is a vice that many people have. Students rank high in the percentage of cheaters. When taking an examination that they aren't properly prepared for, students have the feeling that they need to cheat. They say to themselves, "I can't take that test. I haven't had a chance to study for it. I'll have to cheat." It is much easier to cheat on a test than to study for it, but it is a much better feeling to know that the rank you got on your exam was earned honestly rather than to know that you had to cheat to get as good rank as you did.

A person will say, "Oh, it won't hurt to cheat just this once." They don't realize that it gets to be a habit. Cheating once and getting by without being caught gives you confidence. Soon you will be cheating on practically every exam that you take.

Cheating is as bad as stealing. You say, "Why, I wouldn't take anything that didn't belong to me. I never steal." But if you cheat, you steal. You take rank that isn't honestly yours. You take the rank that should belong to your classmate who sits next to you. If you hadn't looked over his shoulder, you might not have got as many examples right; but at least the teacher would know what you could do by yourself.

When you cheat, you think that you are cheating the teacher. Really you're not. You're cheating yourself. You harm yourself morally. Your classmates do not have respect for you. Your classmates know that you cheat and your teachers always find out. Later when you get out of school and you want to get a job, the person to whom you apply asks some of your school-mates what kind of person you are. Here you may lose a wonderful opportunity. Your school-mates, not wanting to hurt you but wanting even less to ruin their good names, tell him that you can't be trusted—you are a cheat!

Maybe you think that you are clever when you cheat. "Yes, I'm pretty good at cheating by now." Well, you may be. But don't kid yourself! Your teacher probably knows all about your cheating. Something like cheating never is kept quiet. Someone knows about it and tells someone else. In time, everyone knows your reputation of being a cheater.

Many times you begin cheating as a student and continue in later life. Certainly there are many ways to cheat if you have developed the habit. In making change and Weighing goods, people cheat their customers daily. In every walk of life, there are people who cheat. These people lose the respect of their fellow citizens and in time they lose respect for themselves.

Som people brag about cheating others. It is really nothing to brag about. In fact, it is something to feel ashamed over. If you had stolen something or if you had lied, would you brag about it?

Cheating is like lying. When you lie you don't tell the truth. You answer a question untruthfully. When you cheat on a test, you lie. You lie because you are really saying, "Yes, I know the answer to this question," when really you don't.

Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines cheating as "A deception; fraud; imposture. A swindle, deceit. To deceit so as to defraud."

According to law, cheating is "the obtaining of property from another by an international active distortion of the truth."

In my opinion, cheating, no matter how you define it, is cheap and degrading. It gives you a very poor reputation. Besides losing respect, you lose friends and opportunities. I have very little respect or esteem for a person who cheats, regardless of his good qualities. Anyone who would cheat would do anything else deceitful.

Therefore, I say that regardless of the many temptations to cheat, refrain from cheating. It is one of the worst habits that you could get into. Remember, if you cheat, you're only cheating yourself.

FRANCES WARD '57

PLEASURES

No matter how many troubles may come your way
You can find loads of pleasures within each day.
When it's cold in the morning, with frost on the ground
We open our sleepy eyes, and look all around.

Just think of the sunlight that God gave to us
Now, as I stop to think of it, sun is considered as a must.
We cherish the wild wind blowing through the trees
It gives us a cool refreshing breeze.

We love the sound of the whip-poor-will
And the buzzing sound of the old saw mill.
The sound of the cars that go whizzing by
And the soft, gentle tone of a baby's cry.

Though the sound of the fire engine isn't too gay
There's the thought that people are willing to help if they may.
There's the sound of the rain gently falling on the ground.
Oh, there's a million pleasures that make the world go 'round.

Instead of dwelling in the despair or riches we have missed
We should be enjoying the pleasures of life that really exist.

JOAN RANDALL '56

NONSENSE

I had a model "T" Ford
That didn't want to run;
Every time I hit a hole
The thing just sat and spun.

Now when she started knockin'
I knew I'd be a' walkin'
A'fore I got another mile;
Then I'd surely lose my smile.

GEORGE LEWIS '57

SUMMER PLEASURES OF A CHILD

Did you ever get up in the morning
When the sun was beginning to rise?
If you have, then you have known happiness
Such as only God supplies.

Did you listen for the birds' good-morning chirp
As they started their tasks anew;
And did you ever watch the skies above
As they dressed in their royal blue?

I loved to walk about in the grass
Through its coat of silvery dew,
And feel its soft cushion on my brown, bare feet,
And pretend I saw fairies there, too.

As I rode along through the fields so green,
On the load of new-mown hay,
I gazed upward and upward at the shifting clouds
And thanked God for this wonderful day.

Then twilight came on with its noises anew
And its fading red light full of cheer
And I dreamed of witches riding on brooms
And in my heart rose a cold chilling fear.

Then the moon came out, and the stars shone bright;
And I heard the mocking bird's song
Twas then I listened for the cricket's bright quit,
And the night ahead seemed long.

Then sleep overcame me with its wonderful peace,
And I slept the whole night through,
For I did not dream about worldly things,
Only skies and their royal blue.

MARCIA TIBBETTS '56

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THE QUESTION

It was on a hot July day back about four years ago. In fact, it was on July 21, 1951, about 1:20 p.m. when I spied smoke rolling up from the grass near the road on the neighbor's field. From my position about 400 yards away, I was unable to decipher the reason for the smoldering fire. My first thought was to get to the place where the smoke was coming and to extinguish the fire before it could spread.

As I rushed to the scene of the smoke, many thoughts whirled through my mind; such as, could it have started from the sun shining on a piece of glass, or could it have been an electric wire that broke and fell on the dry grass, or might it have been a careless motorist who threw his cigarette butt out of his moving automobile onto the grass?

When I got to the scene of the fire, I noticed that the smoke was caused by a broken electric wire carrying 3,100 volts of electricity. The wire had made contact with the ground and was causing the dry grass to smolder.

My first thought was to run back to the house and call the sub-station so they could cut the current to the broken line and, therefore, make it safe to put out the fire. It took me about five minutes to get back to the house, make the phone call, and return to the scene of the fire.

By the time I had arrived at the scene, Mr. Clifford, holding a bucket of water, was about to douse the fire when I shouted, telling him to keep away from the wire. He stopped short and looked at me as if to say, "What do you know about it?"

"Well, Sir," I said to him, "if you ever threw the water on that wire you would be a dead duck," and believe me, he would have been!

The next bystander to the scene of the fire was Mr. Hendsbee, who stood back and looked on.

It took the line repair men ten minutes to get here from the time of the phone call. This was really a quick arrival, but they had to wait for another five minutes before the power in the wire was cut. The repair men used carbon-dioxide extinguishers to smother the fire which was put out almost immediately. Then they completed the line-repair job in one half hour and the power was turned on. So within an hour things were restored to order. Mr. Clifford was sent a check to cover damages, and all other matters were forgotten.

It was the next day that I heard a knock at the door; and when I answered it, I saw Mr. Clifford there with a pleasing smile on his face. I asked him to come in, and he told me he was grateful to me and glad he had listened to me the day before. He said and I quote: "I am deeply grateful to you. I realize I might have been either seriously burned or killed."

Indeed it was a satisfaction to know that, though I could not have smothered the fire, I could save a life; and I did! The answer to his question, "What do you know about it?" had certainly been satisfactorily answered.

GEORGE LEWIS '57

AUTUMN

The leaves are falling fast and sound,
Covering everything that is on the ground,
Birds are flying away from here,
Going to places of warmth and cheer.

Squirrels are gathering their winter's supply,
For the cold and stormy weather will soon arrive.
The deer are glancing cautiously around,
Watching for hunters coming over the ground.

Everyone's hustling, bustling all day,
Picking up things and putting them away.
Another season is coming up fast,
But before we know it, it soon will be past.

SHIRLEY JONES '57

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Athletics

Sherman Clary, a consistent scorer with his accurate eye, has helped us out this past season.

Harland Young—his fighting spirit and clutch shooting has been an asset to this year's team.

Gordon Glidden, a real work-horse who accounted for most of Erskine's rebounds, a good defensive player whose height and strong back helped us win.

Julia Starkey—immovable under the basket, her blocking of shots was a key to our defense.

Patsy Grotton, a good guard with plenty of hustle and fighting spirit.

Shirley Jones — a good ball player with her left-handed hook shot she figured heavily in Erskine's score column.

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Jackie Boynton's fine floor game and foul shooting helped pave the way to a successful season.

Bobby Boynton's hustle, competitive spirit and aggressiveness contributed much to our team. He is the Captain of the team.

Chug Nelson—Co-Captain Chug added to the height that we badly needed, a good rebounder with a fine set shot.

Marilyn Thomas, with her sharp shooting from anywhere on the court, paved the way to many wins for Erskine.

Joan Fletcher as Captain and forward, her ability to fight and score, will be missed next year.

Muriel Merrill—Co-Captain and as a guard, her height and fighting spirit contributed much to the success of our team.

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First row: R. Boynton, H. Young, F. Nelson, J. Boynton, and G. Glidden. Second row: Coach Hammond, R. Fletcher, J. Suga, E. Raven, S. Clary, and Manager Francis Humphrey.

Varsity

Players' Points for Season

HARLAND YOUNG	244
SHERMAN CLARY	226
CHUG NELSON	144
JACKIE BOYNTON	130
BOBBY BOYNTON	122
GORDON GLIDDEN	112
ERNEST RAVEN	77
JOE SUGA	11
EMMONS BOLDUC	8
RALPH DOE	1

After suffering through a tough season last year, the team's efforts and hard work paid off in giving Erskine one of its most successful seasons in many years posting wins over Clinton, Oakland, Monmouth, Lincoln, Winthrop, and Bingham.

Our all-veteran team, rapidly improving under the instruction of Coach Hammond, came through with a record of 8 wins and 10 losses. The highlights of the season came when Erskine beat Winthrop for the first time in Erskine's history.

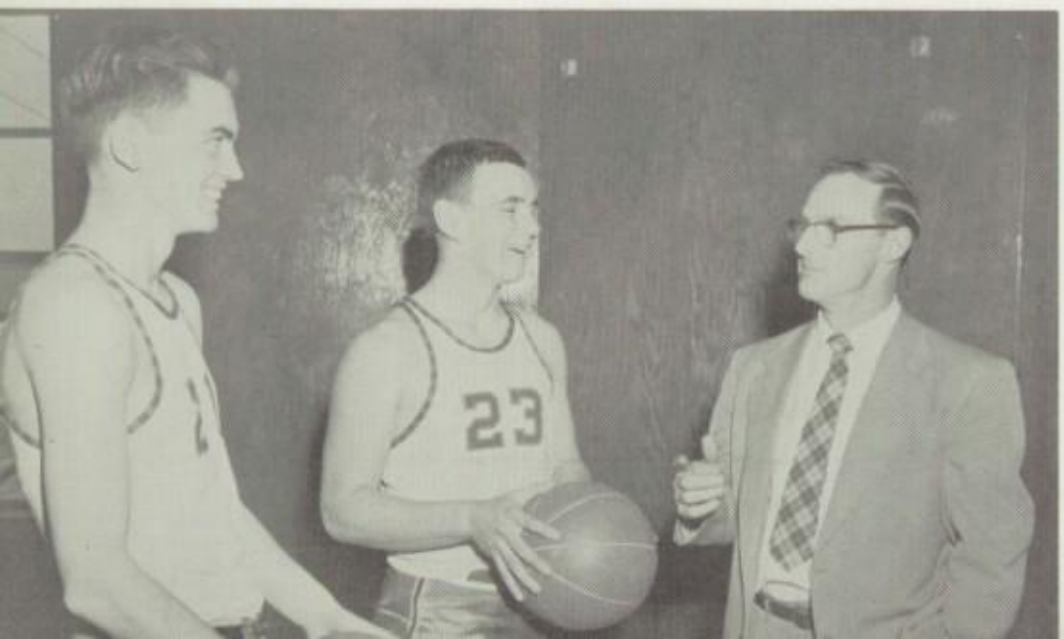
Erskine beat Bingham in the Tournament Preliminary at Waterville in February but lost a hard-fought second game to Winthrop.

The five seniors, who graduate this year, Chug Nelson, Jackie Boynton, Emmons Bolduc, Harland Young, and Gordon Glidden, will be missed by the team next year; but with four lettermen returning and a group of promising underclassmen they should have a good season.

We wish the Coach and next year's team a successful season.

Erskine	48	Lisbon	66	*Erskine	56	Winthrop	52
Erskine	42	Clinton	61	Erskine	56	Hallowell	65
Erskine	64	Lincoln	70	*Erskine	64	Lincoln	62
*Erskine	50	Clinton	35	Erskine	51	Monmouth	41
*Erskine	52	Richmond	58	Erskine	60	Oakland	51
Erskine	51	Winthrop	64	Erskine	42	Richmond	61
*Erskine	47	Hallowell	60	*Erskine	56	Monmouth	49
*Erskine	72	Oakland	49	*Erskine	58	Lisbon	58

**Home Games*



Coach Hammond explaining a bit of strategy to Captain Robert Boynton and Co-Captain Forrest Nelson.

TOURNAMENT PLAY-OFF AT THE WATERVILLE COMMUNITY BUILDING

Erskine	58	Bingham	46
Erskine	40	Winthrop	55

Girls' Basketball

Erskine	53	Union	26
Erskine	30	Union	15
Erskine	42	Clinton	26
Erskine	46	Richmond	54
Erskine	30	Winthrop	22
Erskine	29	Lisbon	26
Erskine	39	Winthrop	52
Erskine	47	Monmouth	26
Erskine	44	Richmond	40
Erskine	63	Monmouth	35
Erskine	54	Lisbon	44
Erskine	51	Hallowell	38
Erskine	59	Hallowell	36

Seated, left to right: S. Jones, M. Thomas, Captain J. Fletcher, Co-Captain M. Merrill, and N. Merrill. Standing: Coach Young, G. Thornhill, J. Ward, S. Hayes, M. Turner, J. Losito, L. Jones, Manager F. Ward, and Assistant Manager P. Brann.

The girls' basketball team, under the supervision of Coach Young, came through with a very successful season in winning 11 out of 13 games played. The starters usually are: M. Thomas, S. Jones, and J. Fletcher as forwards; M. Merrill, P. Grotton, and J. Starkey as guards.

Highlights of the season were games with Lisbon and Richmond, close games in which we swapped baskets with our opponents and then went ahead to win by only two or three points.

As only three players graduate this year, and there are many promising young underclassmen, we should have another top team next year.

Those out for basketball this year are as follows:

Forwards	*Guards*
M. THOMAS	M. MERRILL
J. FLETCHER	P. GROTTON
S. JONES	J. STARKEY
S. HAYES	J. WARD
M. TURNER	G. THORNHILL
N. MERRILL	J. SHORETTE
L. JONES	J. LOSITO

J. ASHBY

Good luck to next year's Coach and team!

Coach Young and Captain J. Fletcher checking the score book.

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Front row: Captain, J. Suga, and Coach Hammond. Standing: P. Day, R. Doe, D. Chaney, G. Maines, R. Dowe, J. Kirkpatrick, L. Jones, C. Winkley, and R. Fletcher.

Junior Varsity

This year we had a J. V. team consisting of five freshmen, two sophomores, and three juniors. Since there was no Junior Varsity team last year, most of the boys had little or no experience but showed much improvement throughout the year.

Erskine	18	Lisbon	48
Erskine	28	Clinton	56
Erskine	17	Lincoln	30
Erskine	58	W.J.H.	59
*Erskine	11	Hallowell	32
*Erskine	47	Smith	24
*Erskine	37	Oakland	35
Erskine	34	Hallowell	35
*Erskine	24	Lincoln	20
*Erskine	57	W.J.H.	44
Erskine	18	Oakland	45

**Home Games*

Tumbling

This year's tumbling act was a tremendous success. It was arranged and directed by the girls themselves. The team is composed of a freshman, three sophomores, and a junior: Joanne Keller, Captain; Serena Wilson, Co-Captain; Irene Reed, Mary Albert, and Shirley Jones, bottom man.

Standing: P. Kilmer, Head Cheerleader. Front row, left to right: J. Young, M. Reed, S. Porter, Millie Farington, Mascot; L. Clary, V. Mackback, B. Willoughby.

This year one new member was added to the cheering squad. She is Violet Mackback, a sophomore. Three substitute cheerleaders were also chosen—Mary Albert, Carol Archambault, and Irene Reed.

The cheerleaders wish to thank Mrs. Gray for her help in making this season a successful one for them.

They cheered at all games and at the tournament in Waterville. Graduation sees two of the varsity cheerleaders leaving—Patricia Kilmer, head cheerleader, and Beverly Willoughby.

Best of luck to next year's cheerleaders.

Softball

Left to right: Coach Young, Manager F. Ward, D. Humphrey, M. Thomas, S. Jones, J. Losito, G. Thornhill, L. Clary, J. Ward, and M. Merrill.

Last year, with the assistance of Coach Young, Erskine had a top team.

Though we lost three players in June, we are looking forward to another successful team this season.

No fall games were played so we expect a busy schedule in the spring.

This spring's line-up is:

Pitcher—P. GROTTON
Catcher—S. JONES
First Base—M. MERRILL
Second Base—M. THOMAS
Third Base—G. THORNHILL
Shortstop—L. CLARY
Right Field—D. HUMPHREY
Left Field—J. LOSITO
Center Field—J. WARD

Baseball

Seated, left to right: B. Lajousky, J. Suga, G. Glidden, L. Wiles, and J. Boynton. Standing: Coach Hammond, S. Glidden, B. Boynton, C. Nelson, H. Young, and S. Clary.

In an abbreviated season we were very successful in winning two games from Union and losing one to Albion.

There were several freshmen and a few sophomores out for baseball for the first time. The regulars were tried at various positions and some of the combinations looked very promising. This should assure Erskine of a good team in the spring.

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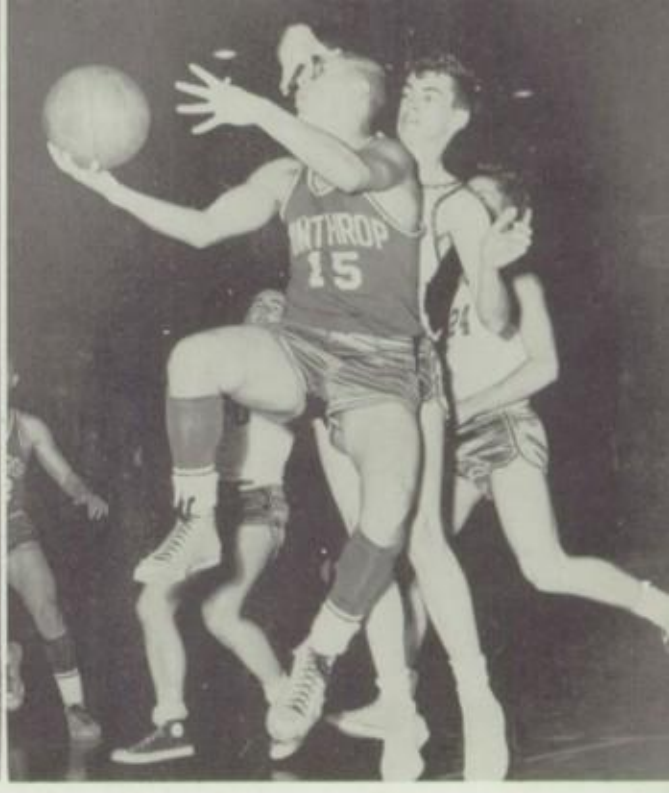
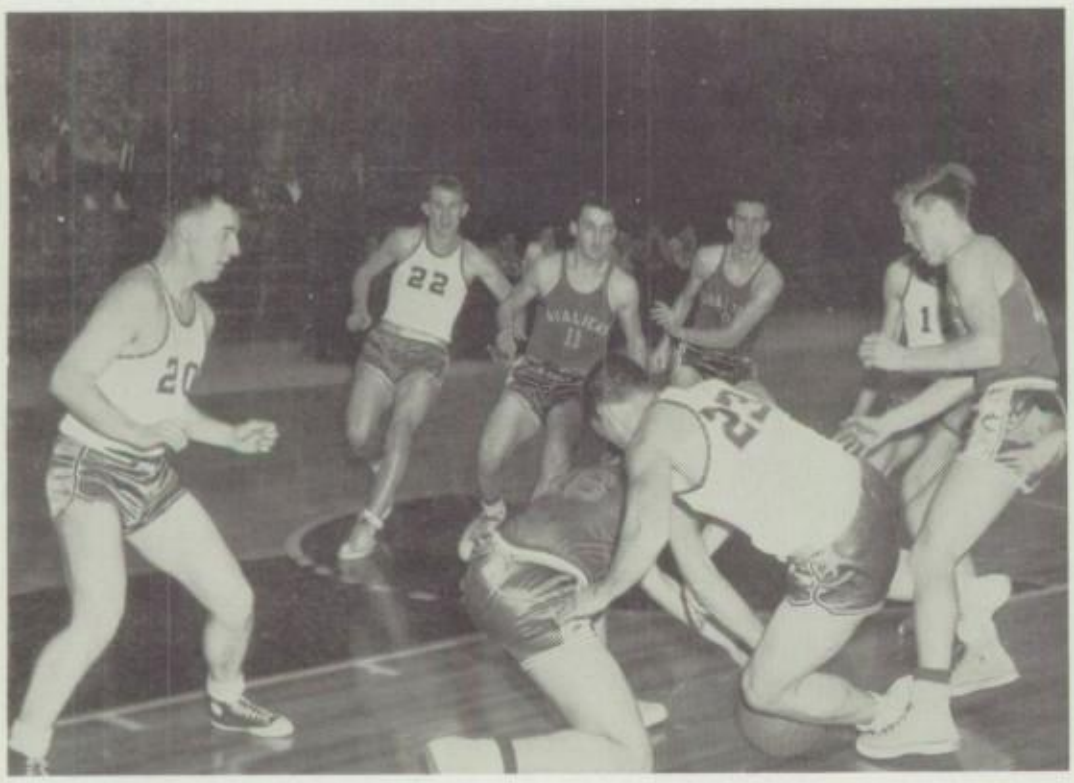
Jump! Sherman, Jump!

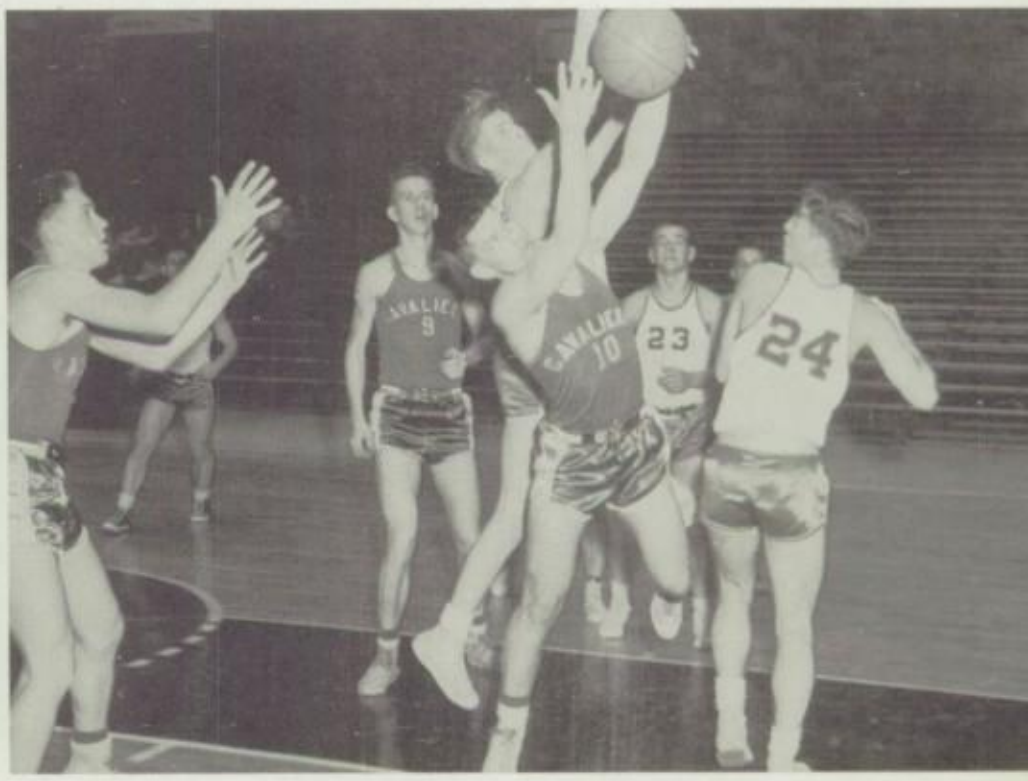
Wishful Thinking



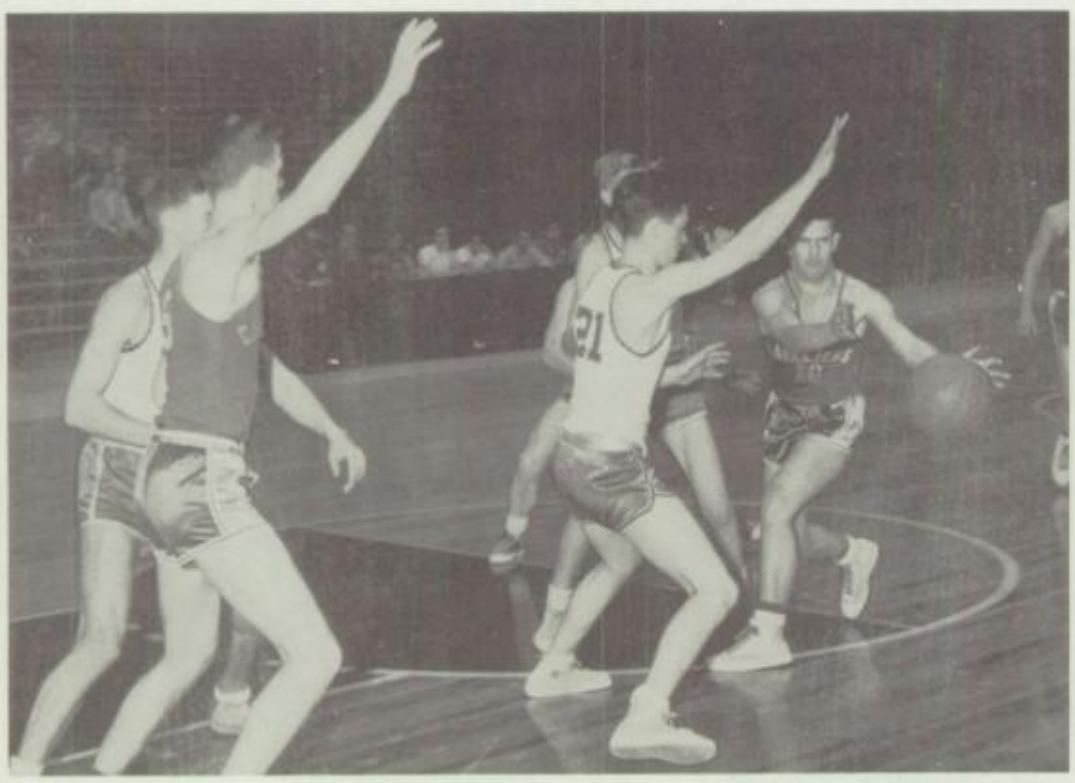
Uh! Uh! Chug, No Fouling



After That Ball!



You can't ride him, Harland, without a saddle!



They've got him all bottled up!

Help him, Gordon! Come back, Chug!

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Front row, left to right: M. Albert, M. Thomas, P. Kilmer, N. Merrill, S. Jones, J. Boynton, F. Ward, L. Clary, M. Turner, G. Thornhill, P. Brann. Second row: B. Willoughby, J. Fletcher, V. Mackback, M. Reed, S. Hayes, C. Archambault, M. Merrill, J. Losito, J. Ward, J. Shorette, J. Ashby, D. Humphrey, Mr. Hammond, Director. Third row: R. Fletcher, C. Winkley, R. Boynton, H. Young, F. Nelson, E. Raven, G. Glidden, S. Clary, J. Suga.

Athletic Club

This fall under the guidance of Mr. Hammond the Erskine Athletic Association was successfully started on its first complete year. We have 32 members all of whom participate in sports here at Erskine. November 2, we had a hay ride for the members and on December 20 a skating party was held on China Lake. The officers this year are as follows:

President ..... JACK BOYNTON

Vice President ..... JOYCE YOUNG

Secretary ..... FRANCES WARD

Treasurer ..... SHIRLEY JONES

Activities

First row: J. Ashby, W. Turner, M. Anderson, J. Pottle, B. Russell, M. Templeton, B. Ladd, A. MacFarland, E. Philbrook, J. Conrad, C. John, P. Brann, J. Archambault, J. Lint, J. Crocker, J. Esancy. Second row: C. Bowman, G. Gay, V. Austin, B. Cunningham, J. Seeley, J. Reynolds, D. Parmenter, P. Prescott, N. Merrill, S. Clary, D. Seeley, J. Shorette, D. Jones.

OFFICERS

President ..... EDITH PHILBROOK
Vice President ..... JEWEL CONRAD
Secretary ..... ARLINE MacFARLAND
Treasurer ..... CARLOTA JOHN
Advisor ..... MRS. ESTHER GRAY

Happy Homemakers

The Homemakers held their annual P.T.A. supper before the Christmas program. Mrs. Gray and the girls worked very diligently to make the supper a success.

Future Farmers of Maine

The Future Farmers of Maine have a new active interest. Having profited very well by a dance, featuring *The Skipper and His Mates*, early in the school year, they added more enjoyment with a Christmas Dance and a Valentine's Dance.

The aggie classes have kept the shop in continuous use for their instruction under the direction of Mr. Braley. Everyone seems to have received much good from it.

OFFICERS

President ..... DAVID PLUMMER
Vice President ..... JOE SUGA
Secretary ..... GORDON GLIDDEN
Treasurer ..... CHARLES MESERVEY
Reporter ..... SHERMAN CLARY
Sentinel ..... ROBERT WATSON
Chaplain ..... SHELDON REED
Advisor ..... MR. RICHARD BRALEY

First row: N. Gay, C. Gilbert, J. Wilson, P. Merrill, S. Reed, R. Watson, D. Plummer, J. Suga, G. Glidden, C. Meservey, S. Clary, J. Keller, S. Wilson, J. Gordon, J. Crommett, S. Dale, R. Gay. Second row: R. Kilmer, P. Woodworth, C. Watson, G. Springer, P. Purington, R. Doe, D. Dyer, A. Brann, H. Carter, J. Esancy, R. Pelton, R. Sawyer, M. Finley, R. Pooler, H. Winkley, B. Balfore, N. McLean, A. Rusgrove, A. Ahearn. Third row: Advisor R. Braley, A. Csengery, G. Lewis, J. Savoy, R. Dowe, J. Rines, C. Rusgrove, D. Choate.

National Honor Society

Front row, left to right: J. Fletcher, E. Gould, P. Kilmer, M. Hannan, J. Meader, V. Russell. Second row: S. Glidden, M. Wellman, M. Elliot, B. Gerow, F. Nelson, J. Boynton.

Each year junior and senior students with a ninety percent average, having the qualities of Character, Leadership, Scholarship, and Service are chosen to be members of the National Honor Society.

The Society was formed in 1921 and Erskine Academy became a Dirigo Chapter for secondary schools. This year, as in past years, the members were initiated in the traditional candlelight ceremony.

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MEMBERS

Joan Fletcher
Janice Meader
Maxine Wellman
Patricia Kilmer
Viola Russell
Beverly Gerow

John Boynton

Front row, left to right: M. Hurd, S. Maher. Second row: J. Essancy, M. Haskell, J. Losito, V. Mackback, M. Reed, E. Turner, P. Norton, J. Lint, R. Skillins, J. Mitton, C. Gilbert. Third row: J. Starkey, R. Mackback, G. Thornhill, R. Crane, D. Williams, L. Austin, J. Ashby, D. Jones, E. Philbrook, S. Jones, L. Wiles, R. Boynton. Fourth row: S. Freeman, Director; P. Day, F. Humphrey, D. Jones, J. Boynton, J. Ward, P. Perry, F. Ward, J. Keller, B. Pinette, S. Porter, D. Humphrey.

Erskine Academy Band

The Erskine Academy Band this year consists of forty members, three of whom are from the China Elementary School. During this year the band has presented concerts in many nearby towns. On May 5th, the members are planning to enter the annual Eastern Maine Festival, which will be held at Bingham. This year will make the fourth time the band has entered the festival. Never have the members come home unhappy, because their band has always received highest ratings. Much of this credit goes to our loyal director, Mr. Samuel Freeman.

At the Piano: Sue Maher. First row: M. Hurd, J. Essancy, J. Losito, V. Mackback. Second row: R. Boynton, L. Wiles, S. Jones. Third row: D. Humphrey, G. Thornhill, L. Austin. Standing: J. Boynton, P. Perry, S. Freeman, Director.

Orchestra

Last fall Mr. Freeman made a suggestion that an orchestra might be organized. Peter Perry, who was very much interested in this idea, went to work and found enough members who, after much practice, have played at the South China Grange, South China Church, Senior Play and at our Christmas program. Now Erskine has a fine Orchestra as well as a Choir and Band.

First row: W. Turner, A. Dodge, V. Mackback, P. Kilmer, M. Haskell, M. Reed, S. Pelton, J. Randall, P. Reed, C. Archambault, E. Turner, S. Maher, S. Jones, M. Hurd, J. Losito, P. Norton, G. Bumps, M. Turner, J. Hallowell, J. Russell, M. Sherwood, M. Hutchins. Second row: P. Merrill, J. Wilson, C. Csengery, A. MacFarland, S. Harrington, N. Northrup, M. Colby, J. McGrath, G. Thornhill, L. Clary, C. Austin, G. Russell, S. Tibbetts, D. Bumps, S. Porter, B. Pinette, D. Humphrey, F. Ward, S. Higgins, R. Young. Third row: G. Day, C. Gilbert, R. Pooler, H. Cunningham, L. Wiles, A. Brann, J. Esancy, J. Boynton, P. Perry, N. McLean, Director; S. Freeman.

Senior Glee Club

The Senior Glee Club consists of sixty-two members. They have proved to be successful under the direction of Mr. Freeman and with the accompaniment of Sue Maher and Mary Hurd.

They planned the Erskine Annual Minstrel which was held in February. Senior Glee Club provides entertainment at the Christmas Program for the Parent Teachers Association. They also sing at graduation and take part in the Maine Music Festival, held this year at Bingham.

Choir

This year a choir has been organized. The choir consists of twenty-one members who have sung at China Grange and at our Christmas program. It was chosen from the Senior Glee Club. This group is also under the direction of Mr. Freeman.

First row: Director Mr. Freeman, R. Young, D. Humphrey, L. Clary, S. Jones, N. Northrup, S. Maher, M. Hurd, G. Bumps, S. Tibbetts, D. Bumps, V. Mackback, B. Pinette, G. Thornhill. Second row: C. Gilbert, R. Pooler, L. Wiles, A. Brann, J. Boynton, P. Perry, H. Cunningham.

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First row: Director S. Freeman, N. Crane, B. Russell, B. Cunningham, C. Bowman, E. Philbrook, M. Anderson, G. Gay, B. Ladd, J. Mitton, J. Ashby, P. Brann, M. Templeton, J. Conrad, R. Skillins, D. Jones, J. Pottle. Second row: R. McGrath, N. Merrill, P. Prescott, J. Reynolds, M. Albert, D. Parmenter, P. Boynton, C. John, S. Clary, J. Archambault, J. Esancy, J. Seeley, D. Seeley, J. Shorette, A. Nelson, J. Crocker, V. Austin.

LINDA CLARY

Majorettes

This year we have six majorettes who are under the direction of Linda Clary. Three Freshmen participate, one on the squad and two as substitutes. The majorettes twirled in the school assemblies and took part in the Maine Music Festival. Next year they hope to show us more of their twirling as they are not losing any of their members.

Freshman Glee Club

The Freshman Glee Club is organized to prepare the Freshman boys and girls for Senior Glee Club. This year it consists of thirty-two Freshmen who are under the direction of Mr. Samuel Freeman and are accompanied by Nanette Crane.

They combine with the Senior Glee Club for the Minstrel. They also give fine selections at other events.

Left to right: N. Crane, N. Northrup, S. Hayes, P. Merrill, M. Turner.

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Standing, left to right: V. Russell, J. Boynton, D. Williams, J. Meader, J. Fletcher, R. Keller. Seated: F. Nelson, B. Willoughby, H. Young, D. Plummer, M. Tibbetts, M. Merrill, C. Meservey, P. Kilmer.

Senior Play

Peck's Bad Boy. The play to sponsor the Washington Trip for the seniors turned out to be quite a hit. A very fine cast, under the direction of Mrs. Austin and managers, delivered a wonderful comedy. When expenses were subtracted from the income all the headaches, long hours and butterflies of opening night were forgotten.

Christmas Play

At Christmas time each year the P.T.A. sponsors a supper directed by Mrs. Gray and followed by the Christmas play. A beautiful pageant was presented by the students under Mrs. Austin's direction. The speech class presented a play called "Christmas at Casey's" and the band, orchestra, and glee clubs added to the enjoyment of the audience.

First row: B. Willoughby, J. Gordon, S. Wilson, D. Bickford, P. Kilmer, J. Randall, M. Tibbetts, R. Keller, B. Gerow, M. Wellman, J. Fletcher, S. Porter. Second row: S. Reed, B. Boynton, E. Stevens, H. Bradstreet, J. Boynton, H. Young, F. Nelson, G. Glidden, C. Meservey.

Washington Trip

The juniors and seniors planning to go on the Washington Trip are looking forward to a wonderful time. Starting the trip on April 12, they will visit the various buildings of interest. They also plan to stop at the Bronx Zoo and attend a baseball game and a stage play and return to Augusta on April 20, very well educated on the highlights from Augusta to Washington.

Curtis Magazine Drive

When Mr. Sprague arrived in the fall to start us on our Curtis Magazine Drive, he had an entirely new project in mind. Those people who sold $30 worth or more of subscriptions would get free tickets and transportation to the Ice Follies at Bangor with the company of the home room teachers whose students reached their quota.

The salesmen and the teachers are as follows:

Marilyn Thomas
Muriel Merrill
Maxine Wellman
Arlene MacFarland
Carol Csengery
Philip Woodworth

Henry Winkley
Robert Sawyer
Gloria Russell
Elaine Turner
Serena Wilson
Gordon Glidden

David Dyer
Leo Gould
Miss Young
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Mr. Hammond

Sitting: M. Thomas, M. Merrill, M. Wellman, A. MacFarland, C. Csengery. Standing: P. Woodworth, H. Winkley, R. Sawyer, G. Russell, E. Turner, S. Wilson, G. Glidden, D. Dyer, L. Gould.

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Chic-A-La-Ca Fair

This year was the 10th annual minstrel show. We decided to change it to a fair consisting of two nights of minstrel and one night a semi-formal dance. We hope to make it an annual event in which the entire school will participate.

The setting of the fair was the gateway to a county fair, with decorations of blue and white. Ninety-six students actually took part in the minstrel, with several others taking care of many other details.

Peter Perry was interlocutor. Mrs. Mackbach was the accompanist. The Skipper and his mates played at the dance. The teachers and board of trustees acted as patrons and patronesses at the dance. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

Assembly Programs The students have profited greatly by the assembly programs. School spirit has been turned loose, and attendance at the basketball games and behavior has shown good sportsmanship. To top it off, everyone has had a chance to learn all their class and club officers.

Our first guest at assemblies was the General Electric's *House of Magic*, which proved to be very interesting, and was a lesson in science. Ernest Haskell and Stanley McCurdy made visits to us at later dates. They both have been doing tricks in magic for many years. Their experience provided loads of entertainment for the students and faculty.

Junior-Senior Prom

The annual Junior-Senior Prom, planned by the class of '56, was a big success. The beautifully decorated gymnasium provided the setting for the crowning of the Queen and the gala dancing to the music of the Skipper and His Mates.

The Queen and her attendants were:

Jeanne Colby
Madeline Noyes
Sylvia Tibbetts
Anne Carlton

1955 Senior Commencement Activities

Senior Picnic at Bar Harbor

Nobleboro Picnic

Baccalaureate Program

Senior Last Assembly

Class Night Exercises

Junior-Senior Prom

Commencement

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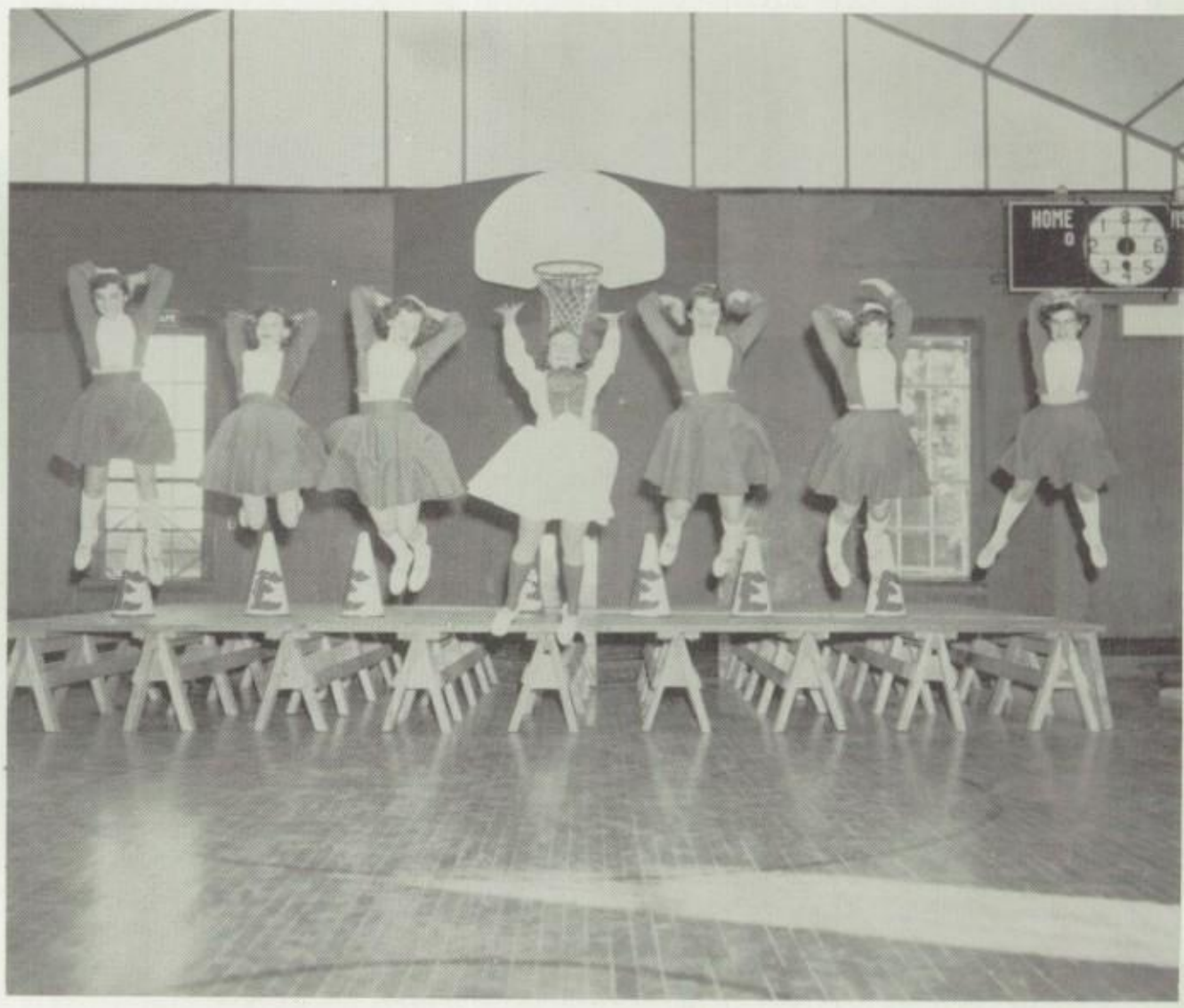

Higher girls, higher.

Hungry, Mrs. Miller?

What have we done now?

Alumni

We are proud of all the fine alumni who have graduated from our school. It is with pleasure that we prepare again this year statistics of the alumni. As we sought information about these alumni we were happy to learn of the many responsible positions which our graduates are holding in the professional and business world today.

Congratulations to you, the alumni of our school!!

Signed:

Rita Keller

1955

NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
Belva Brann	Coopers Mills, Maine	Secretary
Harold Brann	Somerville, Maine	Truck Driver
Dolores Breton	Vassalboro, Maine	Health and Welfare Dept.
Ann Carlton	Beverly, Massachusetts	Nurse's Training
Jean Colby	Coopers Mills, Maine	Gates Business College
Reggie Conrad	Coopers Mills, Maine	Bates Mill
Carol Crane	Augusta, Maine	Secretary
Gloria Dowe Pinette	Camp Gordon, Virginia	Housewife
Royce Dyer	Palermo, Maine	Working on Chicken Farm
Marie Elliott	Augusta, Maine	Stenographer
Alice Esancy Bickford	Vassalboro, Maine	Housewife
Frank Finley	Windsor, Maine	Attendant at State Hospital
Laura Fowle	Augusta, Maine	Office Clerk
Flora Gidney	Wyoming	Woman's Airforce
Sherwood Glidden	Palermo, Maine	Store Clerk
Joanne Jones	Bath, Maine	Working at Hyde Home
Shirley Lee	Vassalboro, Maine	Office Clerk
Curtis Lowden	Bath, Maine	Bath Iron Works
Marilyn Hannan McKiel	Orono, Maine	Secretary
Evelyn Gould Williams	Gardiner, Maine	Store Clerk
Keith Higgins	Palermo, Maine	Carpenter
Chester Meservey	Louisiana	Army
Frances Nelson	Palermo, Maine	Secretary
Madeline Noyes Colby	Augusta, Maine	Secretary
Roger Ring	South China, Maine	Lipman Poultry
Janet Ripley	Whitefield, Maine	Office Clerk
Gloria Small	Augusta, Maine	Nurse's Aid
Arnold Smith	Augusta, Maine	Truck Driver
Gerald Young	Windsor, Maine	Kennebec Pulp and Paper
Sylvia Tibbetts	Augusta, Maine	Employed in Augusta
Emilie Winkley Dodemont	Windsor, Maine	Store Clerk

1945

Willard Arnold	Oakland, Maine	Scott Paper Company
Ila Brann Turner	Windsor, Maine	Nurse at Togus
Evelyn Childs Bogan	Sheboygan, Wisconsin	Housewife
Hilda Cooper Haskell	Augusta, Maine	Working
Belle Gallop Saucier	Portland, Maine	Store Clerk
Roberta Glidden Tobey	China, Maine	Housewife
Hazel Hamlin	Vassalboro, Maine	Waterville Sentinel

Knowlton Hussey	Falls Church, Virginia	Working
Mabel Prescott Farrin	Augusta, Maine	Working
Pauline Stimpson Glidden	South China, Maine	Housewife
Keith Zwicker	Burbank, California	Working

1935

Helen Arnold Julia	Vassalboro, Maine	Housewife
Everett Clifford	Windsor, Maine	Mill Worker
Byron Choate	Windsor, Maine	Attendant at Togus
Forrest Halloway	China, Maine	Working for Edmund Dowe
Leora MacLellan Brown	Waltham, Massachusetts	Employed by Raytheon
Marion Lewis Boynton	Weeks Mills, Maine	Tax Collector
Donald Cushing	Maryland	Unknown

1925

Madeline Barton Foster	Augusta, Maine	Photostenic Clerk
Arlene Clark Johnson	Weeks Mills, Maine	Housewife
Thelma Cooper Van	Bethel, Maine	Teacher
Virginia Fletcher Black	China, Maine	Housewife
Annie Nelson	Rockland, Maine	Store Owner
Albert Pendexter	Benton, Maine	Mill Worker
Velma Seekins	Portland, Maine	Waitress

1915

Cecil Farrington	Deceased	
Harry True	California	Unknown
Webster Wentworth	Deceased	
Ernest Hallowell	Augusta, Maine	Works in Garage

1905

Abbie True Perley	Vassalboro, Maine	Housewife
Annie Barton Rivers	Windsor, Maine	Housewife
Grace Dunn DeGrasse	Deceased	
Carroll Bragg	Deceased	

1895

George Perley	Florida	Retired
Merton Rowe	Deceased	
Ethel Cunnungham MacFarland	Deceased	

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We hope to continue the friendship that we have established during our financial campaign.

Signed:

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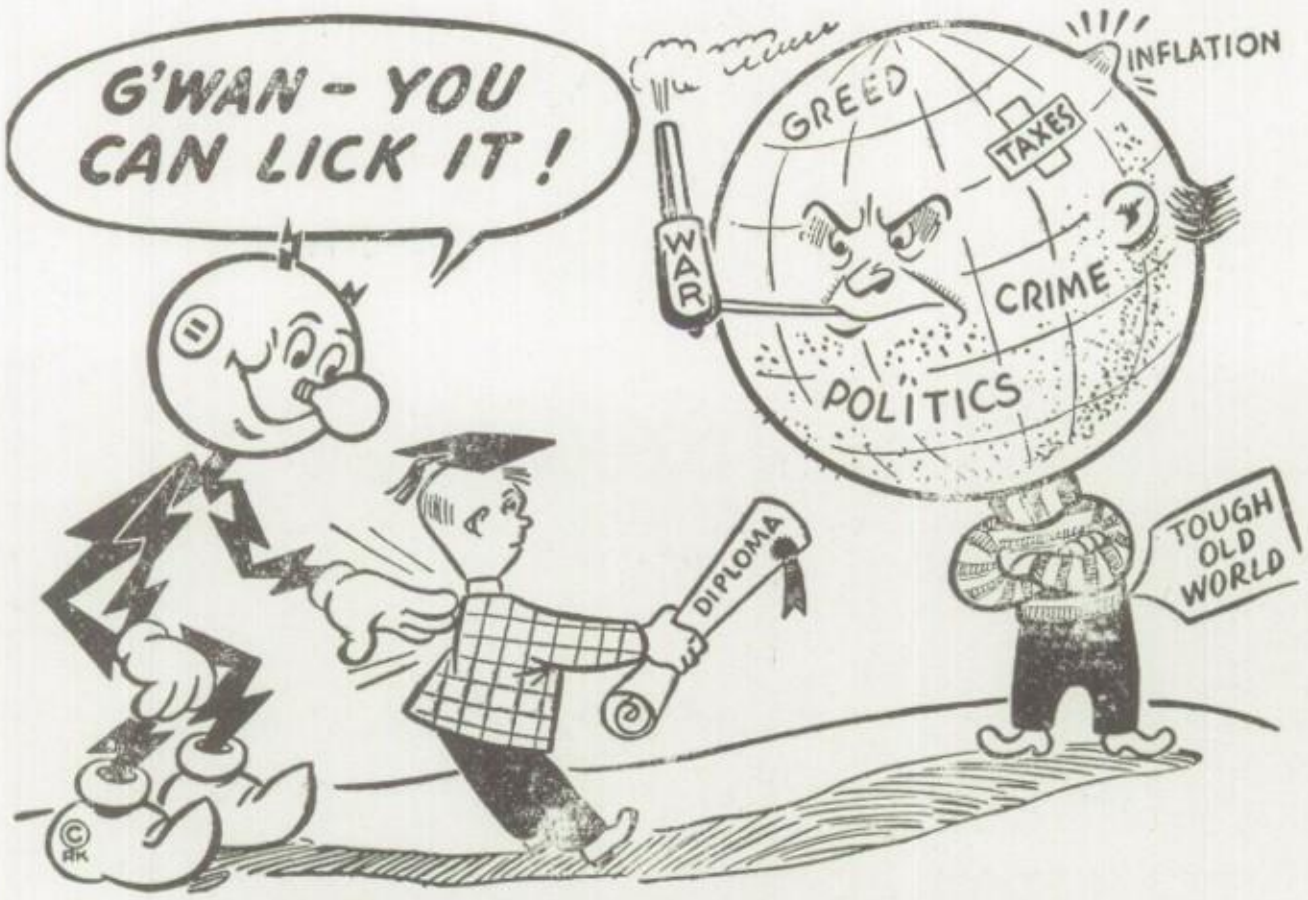

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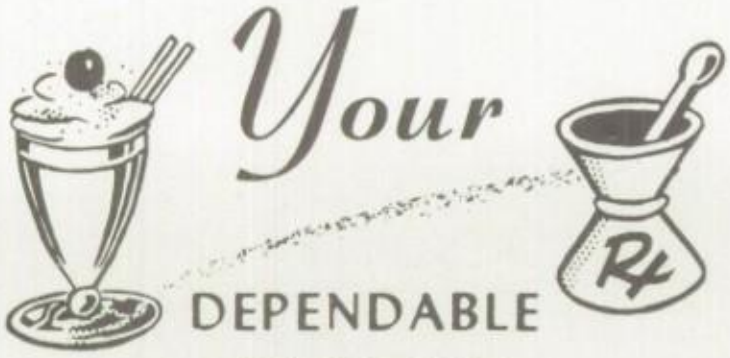

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